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## Communities in Deer Lodge County

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The most current county-by-county information can be found in our quarterly publication *Employment and Labor Force Trends*. And most of our information is on the Internet at <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/lmi/lmi.htm>. In addition, we'll do our best to provide information in accessible format, on request, in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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# Deer Lodge County

Located in southwestern Montana, Deer Lodge County is Montana's 20th most populous with 10,356 residents, according to the 1990 Census.

According to the *Montana Almanac*, by authors Andrea Merrill and Judy Jacobson, the county was established in 1865 and was one of the original nine territorial counties. At one time, it extended from the Beaverhead County line to the Canadian border.

The city of Anaconda was founded in 1883 by Marcus Daly, Montana's famous Copper King. Built after he died, Daly's Washoe Smelter was billed as the world's largest copper smelter. A golf course designed by golf legend Jack Nicklaus is built on the same site and includes relics from the old copper mine. The bunkers are filled with ebony-black sand, a by-product of the mine. Anaconda has preserved its historical district which includes the courthouse and Washoe Theater, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The city of Anaconda and the county of Deer Lodge consolidated their governments in May 1977.

According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, median income for Deer Lodge County households in 1989 was \$20,281. The county is 741.3 square miles in area; 737 square miles in land area and 4.3 in inland water area.

County residents experience the four distinct seasons. The *Montana Almanac* shows the average daily high in July from 1980 to 1989 was 82.2 degrees above and the average daily low in January 8.3 above. The average annual snowfall in January during that time period was 6.3 inches.

## Deer Lodge County Population

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Area	7/1/97 Estimate	7/1/96 Estimate	4/1/90 Census	% Change '90 to '97	% Change '90 to '96
Montana	878,810	876,684	799,065	10.0%	9.7%
Deer Lodge County	9,995	10,044	10,356	-3.5%	- 3.0%
Anaconda-Deer Lodge County	Not Available	10,093	10,356	Not Available	-2.5%

## 1997 New Businesses by Industry

### Deer Lodge County

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75	Auto-Repair Services	1
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80	Health Services	1
86	Membership Organizations	1
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18</b>

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research & Analysis.

\*SIC Code: Standard Industrial Classification Code.

New businesses registered with the Unemployment Insurance Program.

Does not include businesses which had a change in ownership.

## Top 10 Private Employers In Deer Lodge County

*Listed In Alphabetical Order*

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Safeway

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Fourth Quarter 1997 Unemployment Insurance Information.

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Annual Average Labor Force For Deer Lodge County				
Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unem- ployed	Unem- ployment Rate
1970	5,877	5,734	143	2.4%
1971	6,051	5,695	356	5.9%
1972	5,882	5,629	253	4.3%
1973	5,751	5,535	216	3.8%
1974	6,284	6,027	257	4.1%
1975	6,609	6,181	428	6.5%
1976	6,338	5,915	423	6.7%
1977	6,066	5,543	523	8.6%
1978	5,653	5,113	540	9.6%
1979	5,451	5,073	378	6.9%
1980	5,079	4,583	496	9.8%
1981	4,911	4,082	829	16.9%
1982	4,534	3,852	682	15.0%
1983	4,155	3,447	708	17.0%
1984	4,590	4,046	544	11.9%
1985	4,590	4,092	498	10.8%
1986	4,593	4,088	505	11.0%
1987	4,332	3,900	432	10.0%
1988	4,208	3,808	400	9.5%
1989	4,297	3,952	345	8.0%
1990	4,026	3,638	388	9.6%
1991	4,054	3,607	447	11.0%
1992	4,178	3,715	463	11.1%
1993	4,186	3,784	402	9.6%
1994	4,238	3,918	320	7.6%
1995	3,888	3,532	356	9.2%
1996	3,770	3,494	276	7.3%
1997	3,780	3,538	242	6.4%

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research & Analysis (1996 Benchmark)

Summary of Major Occupational Categories By Sex 1990 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data <i>Civilian Labor Force-All Persons</i>			
Occupation	Total	Male	Female
<b>Total</b>	3,976	2,182	1,794
<b>Managerial and Professional Specialty Occupations</b>	789	409	380
Executive, Administrative and Managerial Occupations	332	186	146
Professional Specialty Occupations	457	223	234
<b>Technical, Sales and Administrative Support Occupations</b>	912	308	604
Technicians and Related Support Occupations	102	55	47
Sales Occupations	372	188	184
Administrative Support Occupations, Including Clerical	438	65	373
<b>Service Occupations</b>	1,202	503	699
Private Household Occupations	4	0	4
Protective Service Occupations	224	198	26
Service Occupations, Except Protective and Household	974	305	669
<b>Farming, Forestry, Fishing</b>	139	119	20
<b>Precision Production, Craft and Repair Occupations</b>	454	441	13
Mechanics and Repairers	133	126	7
Construction Trade	187	187	0
Extractive Occupations	33	27	6
Precision Production Occupations	101	101	0
<b>Operators, Fabricators and Laborers</b>	415	365	50
Machine Operators, Assemblers and Inspectors	145	129	16
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	121	115	6
Handlars, Equipment Cleaners, Helpers and Laborers	149	121	28
<b>Unemployed, No Recent Civilian Work Experience</b>	65	37	28

Census and Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, Helena, MT 59520, 406-444-2895.

## Resources

### ⇒ Chamber of Commerce:

Anaconda Chamber, 306 E. Park Ave., Anaconda, MT 59711, 406-563-2400

### ⇒ Department of Labor and Industry:

#### *Anaconda Job Service*

307 E. Park, Anaconda, MT 59711, 406-563-3444

### *Montana Department of Labor & Industry's Office of Research & Analysis Publications*

For information on employment by industry, new businesses, labor market information, profile of the Montana worker, job projections to the year 2006 and hourly pay by occupation, contact the office at any of the numbers listed on the front of this publication or check out our Internet website at <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/lmi/lmi.htm>.

### ⇒ Housing Costs:

Butte Multiple Listing Exchangers, 1307 Harrison Ave., Butte, MT 59701, 406-723-4015

### ⇒ Internet:

Montana Job Service home page for job listings at <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/>  
City of Anaconda Home Page—Use the Search Utilities on the Internet to find home pages for Montana cities.

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### ⇒ Montana Motor Vehicle Division:

#### *Drivers' Licensing*

Anaconda—Lee Metcalf Center, 406-563-3951

### ⇒ Newspaper:

*Anaconda Leader*, 121 Main, Anaconda, MT 59711, 406-563-5283

### ⇒ Public Library:

Hearst Free Library, 401 Main St., Anaconda, MT 59711-1281, 406-563-6932

### ⇒ Superintendent of Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:

Anaconda Public Schools, P. O. Box 1281, Anaconda, MT 59711, 406-563-6361

PLEASE NOTE: Because of time and budget constraints, we are only able to update our county flyers periodically. Individual tables are updated on a more frequent basis. You can call us if you'd like the most current information for a particular county. The *Annual Averages for County Employment By Industry* are updated annually, usually in June. The *Top Employer* are updated annually. *Per Capita Income* statewide is usually released late spring and county data around August each year. *Population data* for Montana is usually released in March and county data may be released at a different time. The *Annual Average Labor Force* information is benchmarked annually and numbers available before March. The other tables contain Census information and will be updated every 10 years. You can also look for more current information on our website listed on the front of this publication.

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Deer Lodge County Employment By Industry* Annual Averages 1997			
Industry	# of Establish- ments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Paid
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	263	2,859	\$56,782,489
PRIVATE BUSINESS	243	1,869	\$32,260,312
MINING	3	16	\$561,462
CONSTRUCTION	22	98	\$2,939,976
Special Trade	19	54	\$1,492,370
MANUFACTURING	7	103	\$2,520,768
TRANS., COMMUN., UTILITIES	10	46	\$1,209,456
WHOLESALE TRADE	3	28	\$426,647
RETAIL TRADE	78	555	\$8,174,616
Bldg Materials-Garden	4	20	\$224,186
Food Stores	9	90	\$1,375,758
Auto Dealers-Service Stations	9	77	\$1,848,438
Furniture Stores	4	6	\$78,647
Eating & Drinking	39	301	\$2,028,277
Miscellaneous Retail	11	52	\$786,619
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	23	67	\$2,011,748
Banking	5	47	\$946,129
Insurance Agents	6	11	\$204,664
Real Estate	5	16	\$190,665
SERVICES	91	921	\$18,200,932
Hotels & Lodging	9	170	\$1,930,367
Personal Services	4	6	\$119,889
Auto Repair Services	3	12	\$196,193
Motion Pictures	3	18	\$80,703
Amusement & Recreation	7	48	\$521,910
Health Services	23	274	\$6,433,722
Legal Services	8	31	\$863,513
Social Services	13	285	\$4,123,979
Membership Organizations	5	37	\$213,224
Engineering Services	8	30	\$1,468,713
GOVERNMENT	20	980	\$24,502,177
State	11	538	\$13,718,614
Local	3	367	\$7,969,396
Federal	5	83	\$2,813,966

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research & Analysis

\*Employment Covered by Unemployment Insurance

Totals may not add due to rounding

## Per Capita Personal Income

	1970	1980	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Montana	\$3,558	\$8,842	\$15,067	\$16,005	\$16,618	\$17,709	\$17,709	\$18,602	\$19,278
% of National Average	87%	88%	79%	81%	81%	83%	80%	80%	79%
Deer Lodge County	\$2,953	\$7,305	\$12,161	\$12,625	\$13,335	\$14,162	\$14,028	\$15,098	\$15,564
% of National Average	72%	73%	63%	64%	65%	66%	63%	65%	64%

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System. Released May 1998

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1990 Census of Population and Housing

Persons by Age, Race and Sex

School Age	Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific											
	White		Black		American Indian		Islander		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
5-11	841	422	1	0	13	8	3	2	22	13	13	7
12-14	407	176	0	0	14	6	0	0	7	5	2	2
15-17	496	216	4	1	15	9	2	1	15	4	6	2
18-21	528	235	6	2	35	17	1	0	22	8	17	5
Total	2,272	1,049	11	3	77	40	6	3	66	30	38	18

Working & Voting Age	Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific											
	White		Black		American Indian		Islander		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
16+	7,972	4,081	27	10	208	102	14	6	115	54	44	15
16-64	5,958	2,914	21	7	190	93	13	6	101	48	43	15
18+	7,619	3,932	24	9	194	94	12	5	100	50	38	13
18-64	5,605	2,765	18	6	176	85	11	5	86	44	37	13

Other Age Group	Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific											
	White		Black		American Indian		Islander		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
0-4	542	277	0	0	24	15	5	4	13	8	3	1
5-17	1,744	814	5	1	42	23	5	3	44	22	21	11
18-44	3,513	1,688	14	5	137	63	6	2	66	29	34	11
45-64	2,092	1,077	4	1	39	22	5	3	20	15	3	2
62+	2,391	1,363	7	3	22	12	1	0	19	10	1	0
65+	2,014	1,167	6	3	18	9	1	0	14	6	1	0
Total	9,905	5,023	29	10	280	132	22	12	157	80	62	25

Source: Census and Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, Helena, MT 59620, 406-444-2896.

Deer Lodge County			
County of Residence	# Who Work in Deer Lodge County	County of Work	# Who Live in Deer Lodge County
Out of State	3	Out of State	16
Beaverhead County	14	Cascade County	19
Dawson County	11	Deer Lodge County	2,735
Deer Lodge County	2,735	Gallatin County	12
Granite County	37	Granite County	10
Missoula County	15	Lewis & Clark County	15
Powell County	128	Madison County	10
Silver Bow County	275	Powell County	225
Other Montana Counties	16	Ravalli County	14
		Silver Bow County	370
		Other Montana Counties	30

Source: 1990 Census Data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.